GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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ARREST OF MILITANTS AND SEIZURE OF PEN PISTOLS
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the militants in the country are now using very small arms in the shape of pen, toy, etc;

(b) if so, whether BSF has recently arrested some militants in the J&K valley and seized pen pistols from them;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps taken by the security agencies to counter the threat of such small arms?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a) to (c): No Sir. There is only one case where a Pen Pistol and some ammunition concealed inside heaps of bricks were recovered by BSF from an abandoned house in Nayakbagh, PS-Nowgam, Budgam, J&K on 16th July, 2002.

(d): Counter measures have been taken by the Security Forces against militants which include random search and frisking.